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SUBJECT: GOF VIEWS ON IAEA BG MEETING; DEPARTMENT'S  
RESPONSE REQUESTED

1. SUMMARY. FRENCH MFA SCIENTIFIC DIRECTOR DE NAZELLE  
ASKED EMBASSY SCICONS TO REVIEW ON MARCH 4 THE RESULTS  
OF THE RECENT IAEA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING. DE  
NAZELLE IS "UPSET" THAT THE FRG WOULD NOT GIVE POLITICAL  
ASSURANCES THAT ITS BILATERAL AGREEMENT WITH BRAZIL  
WOULD MEET THE CONDITIONS OF THE GUIDELINES. HE  
CHARACTERIZED THAT ARRANGEMENT AS OPENING A "WEAKNESS"  
IN THE SUPPLIER NATION GUIDELINES, AND HE WONDERED IF  
THE TEXT OF THE "MINUTE" PREPARED BY THE U.S. DELEGATION  
ON THE SUBJECT AT THE MEETING OF THE SUPPLIER 7 WAS TO  
BE SURFACED AND DISTRIBUTED OR POCKETED BY THE FRG.  
THE GOF-PAKISTAN AGREEMENT, IN DE NAZELLE'S VIEW,

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BETTER MEETS THE SUBSTANCE OF THE GUIDELINES, ALTHOUGH

HE OFFERED NOTHING ON THE BASIC QUESTION OF THE USEFULNESS OF THE SALE OF THE REPROCESSING PLANT TO PAKISTAN. DE NAZELLE "RESENTED" THE DAVID BINDER NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE ON THE GOF-PAKISTAN AGREEMENT AND ASKED IF THE U.S. HAD ANY COMMENTS ON THE ARTICLE. HE NOTED THAT THE GOF WAS PREPARED TO MAKE THE SUPPLIER GUIDELINES PUBLIC, BUT THAT FRANCE WOULD WAIT UNTIL THE EC WAS ACCOMMODATED. END SUMMARY

2. XAVIER DE NAZELLE WAS OBVIOUSLY DISTURBED BY THE IAEA BG MEETING, AND HE WANTED TO LET HIS FEELINGS BE KNOWN. HE WANTED THE SCICONS TO REPORT MANY OF HIS VIEWS. THESE VIEWS SHOULD BE VIEWED AS DE NAZELLE'S AND NOT NECESSARILY THE CONSIDERED "VIEWS" OF HIS GOVERNMENT. HIS JOB AT THE BG MEETING WAS TO GET A TIGHTER TEXT IN THE FRG/BRAZIL AGREEMENT (CEA GOLDSCHMIDT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE GOF/PAKISTAN AGREEMENT CONCLUSION). DE NAZELLE FELT THAT THE EARLY PART OF THE BG MEETING (THE PRELIMINARY MEETINGS BETWEEN DELEGATIONS) WAS A MESS. HE CLAIMS TO HAVE BEEN OVERLY "OCCUPIED" BY THE FRG AND NOT FREE TO DEVELOP SUPPORT FOR HIS AIM OF TIGHTENING THE FRG/BRAZIL TEXT. HE SAID HE ATTEMPTED TO GET THE FRG TO MAKE A STATEMENT THAT BRAZIL AND THE FRG WOULD LIVE UP TO THE GUIDELINES BUT THAT THE GROUP OF 7 SEEMED TO SWEEP HIS VIEWS UNDER THE TABLE, AND BEFORE HE COULD RESPOND THE USSR HAD AGREED TO THE FRG/BRAZIL TEXT, THE U.S. SUPPORTED IT, AND THAT WAS THAT. THE MINUTE OF THE SUPPLIERS SESSION, PREPARED BY A MEMBER OF THE U.S. DELEGATION, MET HIS APPROVAL, THAT OF THE UK DELEGATION, AND PERHAPS OTHERS, AND WAS GIVEN TO THE FRG REPRESENTATIVE FOR COMMENT. DE NAZELLE BELIEVES THAT THE FRG REPRESENTATIVE POCKETED THE DRAFT MINUTE AND THAT IT MAY NOT SEE THE LIGHT OF DAY AGAIN.

3. DE NAZELLE WAS RATHER FIRM IN HIS VIEW THAT THE FRG/BRAZIL TEXT OPENED A SIGNIFICANT "WEAKNESS" IN THE GUIDELINES. HE FELT IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR FRANCE TO DO ANY BETTER IN ANOTHER SUCH CASE AS THAT ACCORD WOULD BE KNOWN AND WOULD CERTAINLY BE THE UPPER LIMIT

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OTHER NON-SUPPLIER NATIONS WOULD ACCEPT. IN RECALLING HIS EFFORTS WITH THE FRG DELEGATION, HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAD STATED TO THE HEAD OF THAT DELEGATION THAT FRANCE WAS GOING TO MAKE PUBLIC THE TEXT OF THE GUIDELINES, AND AT THAT COMMENT THE FRG REPRESENTATIVE HAD RESPONDED WITH A HORRIFIED LOOK. LATER DE NAZELLE NOTED THAT THE GOF WOULD WAIT UNTIL AFTER "THE DUST HAD SETTLED" IN BRUSSELS BEFORE MAKING THE GUIDELINES

PUBLIC. ONE ASPECT IN FAVOR OF THE FRG IN DE NAZELLE'S VIEW IS THAT THE FRG AGREED THAT SOME TECHNOLOGY DOES GO ALONG WITH THE SUPPLY OF ADVANCED HARDWARE. IN SUM, HE WONDERS WHY THE FRG WOULD NOT STATE CLEARLY THAT THE EXCHANGE UNDER THE AGREEMENT WOULD MEET THE TERMS OF THE GUIDELINES AND, AS A PART-WAY STEP TO THAT, WILL THE "MINUTE" OF THE SUPPLIERS' SESSION BE AGREED AND CIRCULATED TO THO 7.

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4. DAVID BINDER'S ARTICLE IN THE NEW YORK TIMES STATING THAT THE PAKISTAN AND BRAZIL AGREEMENTS WERE DANGEROUS FOR PROLIFERATION, IS RESENTED BY DE NAZELLE. FIXING HIS SIGHTS ONLY ON THE TERMS OF THE SUPPLIER GUIDELINES, DE NAZELLE FEELS THE GOF HAS A FULLY-TIGHT

AGREEMENT, AND, AS THE U.S. KNOWS, THIS WAS INITIATED BEFORE THE LONDON MEETINGS AND TIGHTENED IN MIDSTREAM BY THE FRENCH ON THE BASIS OF THE GUIDELINES (THE PRIVATE EXCHANGES OF LETTERS ON THE LENGTH OF TIME FOR SAFEGUARDS ON SECONDARY USE OF THE TECHNOLOGY NOTWITHSTANDING). DE NAZELLE WOULD LIKE TO LEARN OF ANY USG RESPONSE TO THE BINDER ARTICLE.

5. THE EMBASSY SCICON MEETS REGULARLY WITH DE NAZELLE FOR DISCUSSIONS ON BILATERAL SCIENTIFIC ISSUES; MOST  
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ATTENTION IS DEVOTED TO NUCLEAR MATTERS. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN HELPFUL TO US TO HAVE THE BENEFIT OF REPORTS ON DISCUSSIONS IN AND AROUND THE BG MEETING PRIOR TO THE MARCH 4 MEETING WITH DE NAZELLE. HOPEFULLY THEY WILL BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE NEXT SUCH DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE EMBASSY AND THE MFA.

6. ACTION: APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS ON ANY OF THE ABOVE ITEMS, PARTICULARLY ON THE EXPECTED FUTURE OF THE "MINUTE" AND ANY USG COMMENTS, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, ON THE BINDER ARTICLE.  
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